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OUTLINES.

The U. S. Supreme Court denied application of Capt. O. M. Carter to bring his case into that court —— Application has been made for a receiver for the American Plate Glass Co. —— Receivers have been appointed for the U. S. Milling Company, known as the Flour trust. —— The United States Court of Claims award Admiral Dewey $9,570 for the destruction of the Spanish fleet in Manila bay and decide against his contention that the enemy's force was superior. —— Debate on the Porto Rico tariff biff will be extended in the House until to-night. —— General Cronje's force at Praadeberg is well protected, though strongly invested by Gen. Roberts. —— Buller continues his advance towards Ladysmith, fighting daily. —— The schooner J. T. Ford, from Cape Charles, sunk on the coast of Delaware; crew saved. Four men killed in a mine at Point Pleasant, Pa. ——N. Y. markets: Money on call steady at 2@2½ per cent., the last loan being at 2 per cent; cotton dull, middling uplands 9 3 16c; flour easy; wheat—spot easy, No. 2 red 74c; corn—spot steady, No. 2 42c; rosin quiet and steady; strained common to good $1.75; spirits turpentine quiet at 55½@56c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Feb. 26.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 27 degrees; 8 P. M., 36 degrees; maximum, 39 degrees; minimum, 27 degrees; mean, 33 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.69 inches.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—For North Carolina—Fair Tuesday; variable winds. Wednesday, warmer and cloudy.

Port Almanac---Feb. 27.

Sun Rises	6 37 A. M.
Sun Sets	5 51 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H.15 M.
High Water at Southport.	6.15 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington.	9.45 P. M.

The Pennsylvania Railroad pays over $200,000 a year to its retired employes.

A scheme for the building of a trolley line between New York and Philadelphia is being talked about which will make the trip for 70 cents.

Hon. J. Sterling Morton rises to remark that the Standard Oil Trust is a good thing. It is a splendid thing for—John Rockefeller & Co.

James Pyle who made his pile by selling some sort of cleansing compound died in New York a few days ago. He made it by advertising.

A lot of American Indians will be sent over to add to the picturesqueness of the Paris exposition. If they get half a chance they will paint the whole thing a beautiful red.

A Bath Tub Trust is the latest. As this is a combine against cleanliness, which is the next thing to Godliness, it is a wicked affair which should not be countenanced.

The Boston *Journal*, a gold paper, says the bimetallic amendment to the gold bill has "no value." Of course not. Not even as a fraud. for everybody with any sense understands it.

The Chinese Government is showing its appreciation of Mr. Kong Yu Wai by offering a reward of 100,000 taels for him. He undertook to reform things and they didn't like his way.

The Government of Venezuela is not disposed to encourage the eating of wheat-flour bread in that country for it has run the tariff up on flour from $4.83 to $7.72 a barrel. This ought to knock it out.

The Paris *Matin* says the Boer war is the forteith in which Great Britain has been engaged since Queen Victoria ascended the throne. But the Boers are the toughest chaps her fellows have tackled.

A New Jersey lunatic having had his reason restored by falling from a second story window and lighting upon his head, the Washington *Post* paragraph builder remarks that the country might be benefitted if some of our statesmen took a dive from the top of the Washington Monument.

An Anderson, Indiana, barber, who kept a shop for white people, refused to shave Booker T. Washington, but Booker didn't go off on his ear and sue the barber for $5,000, as our saddle colored Congressman White did that Pittsburg, Pa., restaurant man who declined to serve him and his colored companion with dinner in the same room where he served his white patrons.

LOCAL DOTS.

— Democratic Primaries for New Hanover county, Thursday, March 22nd.

— Fire in some waste on Water street last night caused an alarm from box 23, but the damage was of no consequence.

— The stockholders of the Carolina Central Railroad Company further postponed their meeting from yesterday to 11 A. M, Monday, March 12th.

— Lumber is on the ground for the new portico at the Opera House and contractor Vollers will have his workmen begin at once on the construction.

— The steamer *Driver*, Capt. Jeff Bradshaw, came in from Fayetteville Sunday afternoon and cleared yesterday afternoon for the return trip, carrying a heavy freight.

— East Wilmington was teeming with robins yesterday, reported parties who were in that vicinity yesterday. Only a few sportsmen were out with their guns, but these are said to have bagged almost countless numbers.

— There will be a special meeting of the board of directors of the Y. M. C. A. to night to take suitable action respecting the death of P. B. Manning, Esq., former president of the association.

— A report of the proceedings of the Pender county Democratic convention was mailed to the STAR on Saturday but did not reach the office until Sunday morning. It is printed in the STAR this morning.

— There was nothing doing in spirits turpentine yesterday. Rosin took a decline during the day and $1.40 @1.45 was all that was offered for stock, sellers refusing to take the price, Last week's quotations were $1.45@ 1.50.

— The smallpox patients at the pest house will probably be discharged to day or to-morrow. All of them—seven in number—have successfully passed through all the stages of the disease and are now comparatively well.

— There is a credible rumor about town that the head laager of the candidates is still holding out. The attacking force, however, grows larger and *lager*, but the head laager can beer the attack till after the primary election.

— On account of raising the street railway track on Sixth between Orange and Nun streets to day there will be no cars on the intervening track and passengers are asked to take the car at Princess street junction that will take them nearest to their destination.

— Rev. A. M. McArn, of Cheraw, S. C., occupied the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church Sunday morning and evening. He impressed his hearers as an earnest, eloquent and convincing preacher of superior abilities; both sermons having been of an unusually forceful order.

— To-day is the anniversary of the Battle of Moore's Creek, 19 miles from Wilmington. On the 27th of February, 1776, 1,000 American patriots met and defeated 1,600 tories who were attempting to reach Wilmington to join Sir Henry Clinton's expedition sent here to suppress the revolutionary spirit.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

T. D. Love—War!
Seacoast Road—Notice.
Court Clerk—Legal notice.
Court Clerk—Legal notice.
Riggin & Pruitt—Dissolution.
A. D. Brown—New wash goods.
J. W. Plummer, Jr.—Choice fruit.
Jas. D. Nutt—You owe us nothing.
Str. Wilmington—Carolina Beach.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

For Sale—Interest in paper.

Trains to the Beach.

Capt. R. O. Grant, Superintendent of the Wilmington Seacoast Railroad Company, gives official notice in this morning's paper that on and after March 1st, the 2.30 P. M. train from Wilmington will run over to the beach as far as the track is completed, which is to a point about opposite the Atlantic Yacht Club house. Many Wilmington people who by reason of difficulties attendant upon getting over from the Sound to the beach have not yet seen the destruction wrought by the November storm, will embrace this opportunity of viewing the ruins. The work on the track has been pushed rapidly and a nearer approach to Spring and Summer will find the beach with all the improved and convenient train service that has characterized Wrightsville in former years.

A Pan-American Beauty.

Gracing the Pan-American Beauty page of the New York Sunday *World*, the STAR notes with pleasure, the photograph of Miss Oberia Rogers, of Waynesville, N. C., as one of the contestants for the emblem of the Pan-American Exposition which meets in Buffalo, N. Y., in 1901. She is pleasantly remembered in Wilmington, and the STAR wishes Carolina's fair representative the success of capturing a prize worthy of her beauty.

Another Store Entered.

Burglars entered the store of the D. F. Koonce Company, on Second near Market street Sunday night. Entrance was effected through the sky-light, the burglar having removed a pane of glass 10 by 14 in size. The cash drawer wasbroken open and about $1 in copper coin was stolen. Hams and other articles were taken to the amount of about $15 or $20.

A HANDSOME CHURCH

Will Be Erected by the Brooklyn Baptist Church Congregation at Once.

CONTRACT GIVEN YESTERDAY.

Work Will Be Begun To-day on Building Which Will Be Second to None in the City in Point of Beauty and Convenience

Mr. J. C. Gore, chairman of the building committee of the Brooklyn Baptist Church, yesterday awarded the contract for the erection of the handsome new church edifice which has been under contemplation for some time by the congregation of that church, and work will be begun as early as to day by a force of carpenters under the direction of Mr. D. Hanna, the well known contractor, to whom the contract was given.

The site of the new church is on the southeast corner of Fourth and Brunswick streets, the same location as the old church building which was partially destroyed by fire a month or two ago and it is the hope of the committee that the work will be pushed to an early completion—probably ready for occupancy by early spring. The plans were drawn by Mr. H. E. Bonitz and the building will cost something like $6,000. It will have a seating capacity of eight hundred people and will be one of the prettiest as well as one of the best appointed churches in the city. All the old church building and debris from the fire has been cleared away from the site and the new structure will have a solid brick foundation to the top of the ground, so that in case it is ever desirable to make the church one of brick it can easily be done, as all the foundations will be already constructed.

The new church is to be a frame structure and will front to the west and its dimensions will be 92 feet long by 62 feet 6 inches in width. The auditorium will be 45x66 feet and will have a seating capacity of 500. The floor will be slanting and the seats will be arranged in circular form. On the south side of the auditorium there will be an apartment for the classes of the Sunday school, and on the east side a lecture room and study for the pastor. All these rooms will be separated from the auditorium by roller partitions, and when they are rolled back the entire auditorium will seat comfortably about 800 people.

Three vestibuled entrances are provided for in the specifications—two on Fourth street and one on Brunswick street. The pastor's study will be at the northeast corner of the church and the baptistry will be directly underneath the pulpit in the southeast corner of the auditorium, and adjoining it will be two dressing rooms—one each for ladies and gentlemen. The building will be heated by a hot air furnace and will be lighted with electricity. There will be two magnificent stained glass windows on the front and another on the Brunswick street side. A gable will front on Fourth street and the whole will be finished in colors and otherwise completed on the exterior so as to add much to the appearance of that part of the city.

The building committee, which is composed of Mr. J. C. Gore (chairman), Mr. D. L. Gore, Mr. J. H. McDougall, Mr. S. L. Smith, Mr. W. G. T. Keen, Mr. J. D. Vann and Rev. J. J. Payseur, has been very energetic in its efforts toward securing subscriptions to the building fund and the abundant success attendant upon the same is evidenced in the awarding of the contract yesterday for an early completion of the work.

THURSDAY NIGHT'S ENTERTAINMENT.

Big Company of Comedians Promise Much Fun for the Theatre Goers.

The Ward and Vokes' production of "The Floor Walkers," which comes to the Opera House Thursday night, will doubtless be the one big novelty in the list of new fun shows this season. The comedians are said to have corralled about all the available comedy talent on the market, and E. D. Stair, who directs the fortunes of the organization, has given the new piece a scenic dress which it is promised will surpass anything ever carried en-tour. In short, the policy of this successful director to give a great deal for as little as possible has been most profusely carried out in this year's fun feast. Ward and Vokes will be surrounded by such thirty second degree talent as Lucy Daly, Margaret Daly Vokes, the Chicago Ladies' Quartette, Hattie Bernard, Will West, Geo. Sidney and John W. Early. A fine chorus of pretty girls who can sing will be a feature.

Sale of seats begin this morning at Gerken's.

New Millinery Store.

Miss Annie Stroupe, lately of Winston-Salem, N. C., will open a new millinery establishment about the 10th of April at 116 Market street. She will leave this morning for New York to make her purchases, and will provide her establishment with a magnificent stock of fashionable millinery and fancy goods. She has had many years experience in the business.

Register of Deeds.

I announce myself as a candidate for the office of Register of Deeds, subject to the will of the Democratic party. I have never before been a candidate for office and will thank the public for their support.

1t † L. TATE BOWDEN.

A DAY IN THE COURTS.

Several Interesting Cases Investigated by the Magistrates and the Mayor Yesterday.

Ada Moore, colored, was arrested yesterday afternoon by Constable Sheehan, charged with the larceny of $5 from the pocket of a white man, who was intoxicated and wandering around in "Dross Neck" yesterday morning. Robberies of this nature by disreputable colored women have been quite frequent for the past few weeks. The woman was placed in jail and will be tried at 10 o'clock this morning.

Constable Sheehan also arrested yesterday Sam Singletary, colored, for bigamy. He is charged with having a wife here and also one at Laurinburg, N. C., with other counties in which he has been employed recently, to hear from. He is also charged with wilful abandonment of his wife here and was placed in jail pending an examination before Justice Fowler this afternoon at 5 o'clock.

In the Mayor's court yesterday morning Rudolf Johnson, colored, was tried for the larceny of an overcoat from J. W. Larkins, a Rocky Point negro. Larkins asked the proverbial "Mr. Johnsing" to hold his overcoat at the A. C. L. depot Sunday night until he could buy a ticket for the north bound train. Johnson secured the ticket and upon turning from the window to look for the accomodating negro he had disappeared with his overcoat. He instituted a search for Johnson yesterday morning and had him arrested. He had sold the coat to H. Gideon, a Syrian merchant, and having confessed his guilt with the usual complement of "excuses," the Mayor sent him over to the county jail in default of $50 bond.

THE WALKER MEMORIAL.

Meeting of Physicians and Citizens Called to Hear Report of Committee as to Gift of a City Hospital.

The STAR is requested to announce that there will be a meeting of the physicians and citizens of the city this afternoon at 3 o'clock at the office of Mr. James Walker, on North Front street, to hear the report of the committee appointed to consider a plan to maintain a hospital in accordance with the conditions which Mr. Walker made known recently when he offered to donate a hospital if he could get a satisfactory guarantee that it would be kept up.

It will be remembered that the STAR a few weeks ago mentioned that at a former meeting at which Mr. Walker made known his desire to give the city a hospital as a memorial, the following committee was appointed to consider and report a plan which would guarantee Mr. Walker that the hospital would be suitably maintained: Dr. George G. Thomas, Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy, Rev. Robert Strange, D. D., Col. Roger Moore and Messrs. D. M. MacRae, Hugh MacRae and Sam Bear, Jr.

The committee will submit a plan at the meeting this afternoon, and all physicians and citizens interested are urged to be present.

TUBE ROSE GROWING IN N. C.

Large Farms Are Cultivated at Magnolia. Other News Notes.

A recent visitor to Magnolia, N. C., sends the STAR the following interesting news notes and comments upon things seen and heard there:

Dr. C. S. Blackwell of your city delivered a characteristic lecture Friday night on "Grace, Grit and Gumption."

Rev. P. C. Morton is preaching here in the Methodist church, all denominations joining. Services every afternoon and night, continuing until the middle of next week.

The tube rose industry here is increasing. Mr. Newbury, the pioneer, has a business that ships many carload lots and furnishes employment to many hands, and has a great warehouse packed also with calladia and calias. Messrs. C. P. Gaylor and J. F. Croom are also carrying on the same business. Magnolia is said to be the most extensive producer of tube roses in the world. Farmers grow them by the acre and secure better returns from them than from cotton. Mr. Newbury also has a large crate and berry basket factory and has just shipped car-load lots to Wilmington. Cross-ties are also being sold here on a large scale and afford timely help after losses suffered by truckers last year.

SECOND ANNUAL MEETING.

American Fruit and Produce Travellers' Association to Meet at The Orton.

Mr. R. W. Wallace, of The Orton, has been notified by Mr. J. R. Franklin, of Baltimore, secretary of the American Fruit and Produce Travellers' Association, that the executive has ordered him to call the second annual meeting of the association at The Orton April 20th 21st.

It will be remembered that the association was first organized at The Orton, and its last annual meeting was held there. The Orton gave such excellent service and is so popular with the travelling men that they have decided to again hold their meeting here.

A Munificent Offer.

Mr. Samuel Blossom, of Castle Haynes, who was in the city Saturday, is thoroughly imbued with the manufacturing spirit and offers to donate fifty acres of land on the Wilmington and Weldon railroad to any company of capitalists, which will locate at Castle Haynes. He says it is probable that he could give a site for a factory of importance on the Northeast river and is anxious to correspond with parties interested in his proposition.

NEW LODGE ORGANIZED.

North State Lodge No. 1, K. & L. of H., Instituted Last Night—To Meet Twice a Month.

Mr. C. S. Galley, of New York, Supreme Protector of the Knights and Ladies of Honor, who has been here a couple of weeks in that interest, organized a lodge of that order last night at the Y. M. C. A.

Thirty-four of the charter members were present, and Mr. Galley fully explained the purposes and operations of the order, after which the following officers were elected:

Supreme Past Protector—J. M. McGowan.
Protector—Rev. S. Mendelsohn, D. D.
Vice Protector—Miss Stella McIntosh.
Secretary—Dr. J. D. Webster.
Financial Secretary—Mrs. L. E. Setrell.
Treasurer—Mrs. Mary A. Webster.
Chaplain—J. S. Canady.
Guide—Mrs. M. E. Keathley.
Guardian—J. K. Walker.
Sentinel—John Baker.
Captain of the Guard—J. D. Nutt.
—Trustees—Dr. C. T. Harper, D. Hanna and W. H. Brown.

"North State Lodge No. 1" was adopted as the name of the new lodge and it will hold two meetings each month. A committee was appointed to secure a hall and recommend nights on which to hold the meetings.

The order has benefit and insurance features, and, ofcourse, is fraternal and social in its nature. Both ladies and gentlemen are eligible to membership.

This is the first lodge of this order to be organized in North Carolina.

When the lodge gets to working in good shape it will have 40 to 50 members, if all who have signed come forward for initiation.

HAPPENINGS IN THE HARBOR.

Very Little Business Doing Yesterday—A Schooner for Marine Railway.

The schooner *S. P. Hitchcock*, 553 tons, Capt. A. O. Sorensen, arrived yesterday from Savannah, Ga., in tow of the tug *Cynthia, No 2*, and will go on the marine railway at Skinners ship yard to-morrow morning for repairs to a leak, which she sprung on the down trip from Portland, Me., to Brunswick, Ga., having put in at Savannah, February 18th for this reason. The *Cynthia* is in charge of Capt. Tom Jacobs, who has his family here, and he was being warmly greeted by his friends along the wharf yesterday, The tug will proceed to day for the return to Savannah, but the schooner will be here for several days. The dry docks were so busy at Savannah that the *Hitchcock* found it necessary to come here. She is light and is consigned to George Harriss Son, & Co.

The barque *Chas. Laring*, 525 tons, Capt. Lung, which is now in New York, has been chartered to load lumber here for the Cape Fear Lumber Company.

The Georgetown tug *E. P. Williams* belonging to the Atlantic Coast Lumber Company, which has been on the rails caulking and having her bottom painted, is now ready to proceed, which she will probably do to-day. She is in charge of Capt. James Porter.

The schooner *Edith and May* and British barque *Edith Sheraton* passed out at Southport at 9 o'clock yesterday morning. The schoone *Melissa Trask* passed out at 10:30 o'clock.

TUG PROTECTOR IN STORM.

Some Anxiety Felt for Her Yesterday. Reported Safe in Lookout Bight.

Some anxiety was felt here yesterday for the tug *Protector*, belonging to the Virginia-Carolina Chemical Company, with headquarters at Charleston. It was known that she had left Morehead City with two barges in tow for Charleston via Wilmington Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, and as she had not arrived it was certain that she had encountered the storm, and as it was believed to have been furious off Morehead, it was feared that she had been lost. Increased local interest was attached to the movements of the tug from the fact that Mr. Robert N. Harriss, a Wilmington boy, was aboard the boat, he having gone on a pleasure trip around to Morehead when the *Protector* left here last week. Capt. Bragg, of the schooner *Oliver. Scofield*, which is in this port, was at Morehead Saturday visiting his old home, and it was he who brought news of the going to sea of the tug.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. W. N. Harriss telegraphed to Morehead City for information of the tug, and it was learned that she had put in at Cape Lookout bight yesterday morning, having been forced to go north when she encountered the storm at sea Saturday afternoon. She was reported with all on board safe. It is not known whether she lost the barges or not.

— Mr. and Mrs. George T. Johnson returned Sunday from their bridal tour to several points of interest in the North.

H. McL. Green for County Treasurer.

As he has announced himself a candidate for re-election to the office of Treasurer, and having filled the position acceptably during this term, we trust the voters of New Hanover county will keep him there. He has always been enthusiastic and steadfast in the Democratic ranks and you will find him there now doing good work.

1t † MANY VOTERS.

NEW ENTERPRISE.

An Extensive Dye and Chemical Works Established at the Industrial Works.

TO START IN TWO WEEKS.

The Plant Will Have a Capacity for Dyeing 10,000 Pounds of Raw Cotton Per Day—Textile Fabrics to Be Treated.

Several days ago the STAR mentioned that some new machinery was being installed in the extensive brick buildings known as the Industrial Works, and that an important industry would be established there. Then the promoter of the enterprise was not in a position to make known the plans, and as for that matter he is not yet ready to go into details.

The STAR is able to state authoritatively, however, that Mr. H. M. Chase and associates have leased the buildings, and are putting in an extensive steam plant for dyeing cotton and will also put in other machinery for the chemical treatment of textile fabrics.

Mr. Chase informs the STAR that some of the machinery has already been installed, and that the company will add considerable machinery during the next six months. He expects to begin operations in two weeks, and when the industry is completed it will employ quite a number of hands. More machinery will be added in the next two weeks.

The dye works will have a capacity for dyeing 10,000 pounds of raw cotton per day. The plant will do dyeing for our local mills and also for other mills in the South and North.

Mr. C. E. Eaton, of Graniteville, Mass., constructing engineer for C. E. Sargeant & Sons, of that city, is here putting in one of their big steam dyers.

It is expected to make this an important industry for Wilmington, as those interested are experienced and responsible parties. They will soon take out corporation papers. The name of the new concern has not been decided yet.

THE ROAD MACHINERY.

Crusher Will Be Put in Operation This Afternoon—Other Notes.

The new Acme road crusher recently purchased by the city was taken "in tow" by the big steam roller yesterday for removal to the city rock quarry, but owing to the depth of the sand along some streets over which it was necessary to pass it was found that the power of the engine was insufficient to draw the machine under such difficulties. It was therefore detached from the engine and carried by horse power to the bridge over Mill creek at the national cemetery, and as some repairs will have to be made to the bridge before taking the heavy machines across, it was stationed just this side of the bridge and the rock will be temporarily brought over in carts for crushing in amounts for experimental work.

Mr. Wolfe is still here to instruct the new engineer and to demonstrate the workings of the two machines. Thus far, it is understood, the machines have proved satisfactory and practical work will begin very early. The sanitary grading is being pushed forward rapidly in the southeastern section of the city, and upon the whole, more activity in the good roads movement is in evidence than ever before.

Seabright Delayed.

The steamer *Seabright*, which had such a tough experience with wind and wave last week and which bore up under the terrible circumstances as befitted the sturdy little steamer that she is, is again behind her schedule and as she passed out at Southport for Little River, S. C., just before Saturday afternoon's storm, it is feared that an accident has befallen her and that she has been forced to put in at some point for repairs. She was due there yesterday morning and it was thought as she did not arrive then she would come in last night, but up to an early hour this morning she had not put in an appearance. She may be in at Southport, however, and if so, will come up this morning.

German Last Night.

A delightful dance—the last before the Lenten season—was given by quite a number of the young people last night in the unoccupied residence building of Dr. W. W. Harriss on Fifth near Orange streets. Mr. C. D. Maffitt led the german and about thirty couples participated. The dancing was to piano music, skilfully rendered, and the event was one of the most pleasant of the season's festivities.

Lent Begins To-morrow.

Lent begins on Wednesday 28th, which is to-morrow. Lenten services will be observed at St. John's church daily on week days at 7:45 a. m. and 5 p. m. On Sunday's as usual at 7:45 and 11 a. m. and 5 p. m., confirmation Palm Sunday.

There will also be the usual services at the other churches during the Lenten season.

Entertainment To-night.

The Junior Branch of the Epworth League of Grace M. E. Church will hold its regular monthly meeting to-night at 8 o'clock in the lecture room at the church. An elaborate programme will be presented, including instrumental and vocal music, recitations, etc.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. H. R. Christman, of Spring Hope, is in the city.

— Mr. E. S. Smith, of Marines, was here on business yesterday.

— Mr. W. P. Gore, of Shallotte, came over to the city yesterday.

— Mr. J. A. Roberts, of Chadbourn, arrived in the city on Sunday.

— Mr. J. A. Brown, of Chadbourn, came up to the city yesterday.

— Mr. E. G. Potter, of Goldsboro, came down to the city last evening.

— Mr. J. M. Wood left yesterday for New York and Baltimore on business.

— Mr. C. W. Woodward arrived in the city from a business trip last evening.

— Mr. and Mrs. Hugh MacRae have gone to New York for a couple of weeks.

— Capt. John H. Hanby went up to Washington, N. C., yesterday morning on a business trip.

— Mr. H. E. Bonitz went up the Carolina Central railroad yesterday afternoon on a business trip.

— Mr. C. L. Stevens, editor of the Newbern *Journal*, came up from Southport yesterday and returned to Newbern.

— Rev. A. D. McClure left yesterday for Suffolk, Va., to assist Rev. John Stanly Thomas in a series of revival services in the Presbyterian Church there.

— Mr. W. Murdock Wiley, of Salisbury is in the city. He served on the *Nantucket* with the North Carolina Naval Reserves during the American Spanish war, filling the position of quartermaster.

Trip to the Beach To-morrow.

Captain John W. Harper announces that the steamer *Wilmington* will make a trip to Carolin Beach to-morrow, leaving the city at 10 A. M. and returning at 5 P. M. The fare will be 25 cents.

The steamer will go down in order to give the owners of cottages destroyed by the storm last Fall an opportunity to inspect their property with a view to repairing or rebuilding for the approaching season.

It is the intention of quite a number of the members of Hanover Seaside Club to take in the trip, and provision has been made to have an oyster roast for them at the club house.

Lettuce Damaged.

Truckers in East Wilmington report considerable damage to the lettuce crop by the storm on Saturday afternoon. Covers were blown from the beds by the high winds, and the cold weather following is said to have pinched the crop to a great extent. Damage in the immediate vicinity of Wilmington will probably amount to $1,000.

Sunday School Conference.

In accordance with the recent movement for a conference of Sunday School workers, a conference will be held Friday night at the Y. M. C. A. All Sunday School superintendents and teachers and pastors of churches interested are expected to attend. Several matters connected with Sunday School work will be discussed.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

DISSOLUTION.

The co-partnership relations heretofore existing between Luther J. Riggin and John W Pruitt, under the name and style of Riggin & Pruitt, for the purpose of conducting the oyster packing business, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. LUTHER J. RIGGIN,
JOHN W PRUITT.

Crisfield, Md., February 20th, 1900.
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Carolina Beach Wednesday.

Steamer Wilmington will leave for Carolina Beach at 10 A. M. Wednesday, February 28th, and arrive back at 5 P. M.

Fare 25 cents. JOHN W. HARPER.
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On and after March 1st,

the train on the Wilmington Seacoast Railroad leaving Wilmington at 2.30 P. M., and returning at 5 P. M., will run over to the beach as far as the road is completed.
feb 27 3t R. O. GRANT, Supt.

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We simply solicit your patronage on the grounds of pure Drugs, rightly handled, at fair prices.

On this basis we have grown; on this basis we will continue to grow.

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JAMES D. NUTT, Druggist.
feb 27 tf Wilmington, N. C.

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APPLES,
BANANAS,
GRAPES,
PEARS.

J. W. PLUMMER, Jr.,
204 Princess street.
Inter-State 'Phone 133. feb 27 tf

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War, War, War.

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NOTICE.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, Superior Court. New Hanover county. Before the Clerk.

Stephen Jewett, Administrator, C. T. A., of Charles W. Bradley, deceased, Plaintiff.
vs.
Alfred O. Bradley and others, Defendants.

This is a special proceeding brought by Stephen Jewett, Administrator, C. T. A., of Charles W. Bradley, deceased, to sell real estate belonging to the estate of the said Charles W. Bradley to create assets for the payment of his debts and the costs and charges of administration.

And the following named defendants, to-wit: Alfred O Bradley, Henry Bond and wife, Mary L. Bond, Herbert L. Price and wife, Amoret Price, Richard S. Cameron, William Walker, Nannie A. Bradley, Fannie O. Bradley, Richard Bradley, Henry W. Bradley, James G. Bradley, Lula Bradley, Henry C. Wingate, Edward H Wingate, Elias C. Wingate, Joseph A. Hill, Daisy B Hill, A. B. Mason and wife Eliza Mason, Bayard L. McIntosh and wife Mary C. McIntosh, John W. Brainbridge and wife Eliza ?. Brainbridge, Richard B. Hill, William J. Hill, Frederick T. Hill, Charles F. Hill, Richard B. Jewett and William L. Jewett, are hereby commanded and required to appear before this court at the court house of said county of New Hanover, in the city of Wilmington, N. C., on the 16th day of April, 1900, at 11 o'clock A. M., and answer or demur to the petition filed in the aforesaid proceeding.

Wilmington, N. C., February 26th, 1900.

JNO. D. TAYLOR,
Clerk Superior Court. New Hanover county, North Carolina. tu fe 27 6w

NOTICE.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA Superior Court. County of New Hanover. April Term, 1900.

A. V. Horrell
vs.
Ella Madge Horrell,

The defendant above named will take notice that an action entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of New Hanover county for divorce upon the ground of abandonment under Chapter 311, Acts of 1899, Laws of North Carolina.

The said defendant, Ella Madge Horrell, will take notice that she is required to appear at the next term of the superior Court of said county to be held on the sixth Monday after the first Monday in March, A. D. 1900, at the Court House in Wilmington, in the county of New Hanover, and state of North Carolina, and answer or demur to the complaint of the plaintiff filed in this action or the plaintiff will apply for the relief demanded in said complaint.

JNO. D. TAYLOR.
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MOON'S PHASES.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 27.

THE RIGHT KIND OF EXPANSION

The Baltimore *Manufacturers' Record* of last week contains a splendid exhibit of the progress of cotton mill building in the South, which it prefaces with the following, which we reproduce because it is interesting not only to every one who takes an interest in cotton and the progress of cotton manufacturing industry but to every one who takes an interest in the progress and prosperity of the South:

"The South has entered upon a period of cotton-mill building which bids fair to continue uninterruptedly for many years to come. While the organization of new mills may possibly, at least, not be so active as at present, yet the industry is now on such a solid foundation, and is commanding such wide attention on the part of outside as well as local capital, that the future pre-eminent position of the Southern States as the cotton-manufacturing center, not only of this country, but doubtless of the world, may be accepted as an assured fact. In view of the progress already made, and of the success which has attended the development of the textile interests of the South, it seems reasonably safe to calculate that the building of new mills and the enlargement of established plants will add an average of 1,500,000 to 2 000,000 spindles a year to the South for the next few years, and after that a still greater increase. A very conservative authority has estimated that the aggregate addition of spindles during the next ten years will be at least 20,000,000, which, added to the 5,774,361 spindles now in the South, will give a total of 25,774,361 spindles ten years hence.

So long as the South, which is the acknowledged natural situs for cotton manufacturing is compelled to find a market outside of its own borders for a large proportion of its cotton crop, so long will there be profitable openings in the south for the establishment of cotton mills. In round figures there are about 100,000,000 spindles in the world. The South furnishes about three-fourths of the world's cotton supply, or sufficient, say, expressed in another way to run 75,000 000 of the world's spindles, and yet has, including the mills now building, less than 6,000,000 spindles Even at the rate of adding 2 000,000 spindles per year, which would mean 100 mills with an average of 20,000 spindles, it would take more than thirty years for the South to reach the point where it could consume its present cotton crop, and by that time the world will be demanding of the South not simply 10,000,000 or 12,000,000 bales of cotton, but probably at least 20,000,000 to 30,000,000 bales. The field, therefore, for expansion of the cotton mill industry is practically unlimited so far as the South is concerned. With due care in the organization of mills that abundance of capital and the best management shall be secured and good locations selected, the cotton mill business ought to offer one of the most inviting fields for investment which the world can present."

We may form some idea of what the progress past and prospective means by comparing the present with the past and noting the progress made within the past ten years, as shown in the following table, which we clip from the *Record:*

	1890, June 1.	1892, Dec. 1.	1897, Dec. 1.	1900, Feb 1.
Mills	254	376	483	542
Spindles	1.7 8,930	2 5?8 ?58	4,105. 67	5,574 361
Looms	39 231	65 640	103 293	147 728

Within this time the number of mills has more than doubled, the number of spindles more than trebled, and the number of looms nearly quadrupled. It should be remembered that this was when the industry was yet in a somewhat experimental stage, and when home capital was not as plentiful as it is now and will be in the future, and when it was not so easy to secure the investment of outside capital, for various reasons, one of which was that the industry was, as we have remarked, somewhat in an experimental stage. As an illustration of the confidence of capitalists both at home and from other sections in the promising future of this industry no stronger proof could be given than the activity in mill building now and the large amount of money being invested in some of the plants, some of those to be erected in this State costing as much as a million dollars, while mills ranging in cost from $200,000 to $500,000 are becoming quite common. No better proof could be given of the confidence of capitalists in the future of this industry, and confidence means a great deal in building it up, for when such large sums of money are invested extraordinary efforts will be made, if necessary, to make the business a profit-yielder.

If our mills were confined to the home market there might be some danger of overproduction and they might find themselves confronted by a competition of other mills that would run profits below the attractive point, but cotton goods are a world commodity, they are not perishable and will stand transportation to any distance and under any conditions, and hence our manufacturers both of the South and of the North will seek the world market to avoid overstocking themselves. They can manufacture goods as cheaply as they can be manufactured anywhere, and some lines of goods more cheaply than they can be manufactured anywhere, and therefore their success in finding markets abroad will depend upon their own efforts and energy when not handicapped by public policies, the effect of which is to hamper entry into foreign markets if not to prevent it altogether.

Out of the estimated world population of 1,500,000,000, 1,250,000,000 wear and use more or less cotton goods, and many millions of them wear little but cotton. More goods rather than less will be required for, aside from the increase in the world's population, the advance of civilization, progress and enlightenment will increase the demand for clothing, for more of it and for better quality, for with the advance of civilization, progress and enlightenment, the condition of the people will be improved, their opportunities to earn better wages increased and they will be better able to buy.

As people must wear clothes where the fashion does not permit them to go with the suit that nature furnished, it doesn't matter so much where the goods are made. They don't ask that, but the price so that it is a question only with the manufacturers as to which can best meet this requirement. They that can will win the field; they that can't must retire, and this means that the contest for supremacy in the world market will not be between the American mills but between the mills of this country and the mills of other countries, with the advantages decidedly in favor of our mills, because this is the great cotton-producing country of the world and will continue to be. Every mill added to the number of ours may eventually mean a mill less in some country, until finally this will be the cotton manufacturing country for the world, and the South the manufacturing center of this country.

TILLMAN'S PERTINENT POINTS.

In his speech on the Hawaiian government bill, Saturday, Senator Tillman did something more than jab his pitchfork into Senator Morgan. He also jabbed it into the Republicans in the Senate for their hypocrisy in putting up false pretences in supporting the bill. But aside from this he made some pertinent points in the figures he presented showing the vote cast in some of the Northern States in comparison with the number of registered voters. He might have added a number of other States where the disproportion between the number of votes cast in ordinary elections and the number of registered voters is quite as great and in some even greater. In the city of New York there are in some years as many 100,000 voters who do not vote. In the elections last Fall in a number of States fully one half of the voters failed to vote. Under these circumstances how are the gentlemen who propose to regulate representation in Congress and in the Electoral College by the number of votes cast going to proceed?

Mr. Tillman also made a clear statement to account for the light vote cast in South Carolina, which would apply as well to Louisiana and Mississippi and to all other States where the primary system is in operation. In these States the decision of the primaries practically settles the question, and the subsequent voting on the day of election is a mere formality to comply with the law. This sufficiently accounts for the light vote cast in those States, a fact, however, which seems to have escaped the attention of the critics of Southern elections when they put forward these light votes as proof of oppression, intimidation and all that sort of thing.

It is said that scores of young women are writing billet doux to Rowland Molineux, who is under sentence of death in Sing Sing for the murder by poison of Mrs. Adams. He may be innocent, bnt that doesn't make any difference with the female sympathizer. The man who murders people is pretty apt to be made a lion by some females, especially if he kills a woman. Perhaps most of these idiots will be grieved when they learn that the sympathetic notes they write never reach Rowland.

A Thousand Tongues.

Could not express the rapture of Annie E Springer, of 1125 Howard St., Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"it soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praise throughout the Universe. So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottle 10c. at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed. †

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A DEMAND FOR INVESTIGATION.

One of the topics discussed at the meeting of the American Newspaper Publishers' Association in New York, in the latter part of last week, was the paper trusts which are now grinding the paper consumers, especially the publishers, of this country. The following resolutions were unanimously adopted, and a committee appointed to personally present them to Congress within the next few days:

"WHEREAS, The price of printing paper used by newspapers in the United States has been arbitrarily increased in price from 60 to 100 per cent. without reason or warrant to be found in the conditions of the industry itself; and

"WHEREAS, It is the common belief that the increase is due to the workings of a trust; therefore be it

Resolved, That the American Newspaper Publishers' Association, representing in the case, not only its own members, but the 22,000 newspapers in the United States, calls upon Congress to make inquiry by means of a special committee into the conditions above described, to the end that suitable legislation may be provided to remedy this condition of affairs, in the interest of the best source of public information provided for the people, to wit, the newspaper press, whose interests the founders of the republic held in the highest regard.

The attention of Congress is directed to five bills now in the hands of the Ways and Means Committee, not necessarily to aid the passage of any of them especially, but as evidence of great demand for some form of remedial legislaiion, to which the inquiry we request would be preliminary. We believe that the entire situation against trusts persents no more concrete example than this, and your petitioners, relying upon the desire of Congress to legislate in the interest of the people, believe you will accept the opportunity to make this inquiry in the spirit in which it is demanded. The newspaper, it is fair to state, unlike most other forms of industry, sells at a fixed price, and has no means of putting the increased cost onto the consumer. In many instances it means the complete confiscation of profits, and in many others creates on actual loss. The apparently sincere desire of all parties to deal with the trust question removes this inquiry from the charge of partisanship, and makes it what it is intended to be, an inquiry in the public interest."

This is an association composed of the newspaper publishers of the United States, and includes men of all shades of politics and of no politics at all. But they, without a dissenting voice, ask for an investigation of this monstrous monopoly, and for such action as may relieve them of this continuous high-handed robbery to which they are compelled to submit because the robbers are invulnerably entrenched behind the protective tariff wall which excludes foreign paper and paper making material and gives them a monopoly.

To Hon. John D. Bellamy, of this district, belongs the honor of first, as a representative of the people, filing his protest against this extortionate monopoly by his bill to repeal or modify the duties on paper and paper making materials. Since then several other bills for the same purpose have been introduced, but these publishers do not express a preference for any one of these bills, but that Congress simply make an investigation and take such action as the facts may justify.

DEATH OF A VETERAN EDITOR.

In the death of Col. William C. Elam, editor of the Norfolk *Virginian-Pilot*, the press of the South loses one of its veteran editors, and one of its best equipped and most vigorous writers, and with all that a representative whose unassuming demeanor was equalled only by his courage, which was never known to quail in an emergency. He was a man of strong convictions, which he never hesitated to boldly proclaim, nor to defend at the peril of his life if challenged to do so. Considerate of the weak he attacked the strong with ungloved hands in language so plain that he who runs might read, but there was no malice in the man nor in his pen. He simply struck for the right as he saw it, and stripped shams and corruption, as he saw them, of the disguise they wore. His amiable traits of character made him many warm friends, while his ability as a defender of the cause he espoused and a champion of the people made his name a household one in Virginia and in those portions of North Carolina where Virginia papers most circulate.

He was a native of Fayetteville, where he had many friends, and is kindly remembered.

Some of the Republican papers dilate on the enthusiasm with which Mr. McKinley is greeted when he goes among the people. Pshaw! The American people are disposed to be polite and yell for any man who happens to be President. And again, this may be one way of showing their sympathy with him for the way he has been yanked around by Hanna and the other fellows.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John Oliver of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three Physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying "Electric Bitters;" and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim," No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store. †

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SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—A furniture factory with a paid capital stock of 27,000 dollars was organized at Oxford on the 22nd, S. W Parker, President. The phenomenal success of the Buggy Factory has inspired the community to Seal in organizing factories. —— The greatest and most interesting athletic contest ever witnessed in the state will be held there April 20th between the Colleges for a $100 silver cup and the state championship One hundred and seventy college men have been entered for the contests A special train will run from Durham.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: A voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed here yesterday with the clerk of the United States District Court by W. H. May & Company, dealers in general merchandise at Springhope in Nash county The liabilities of the company are estimated at $5 000. The petitioners claim the homestead allowed by the laws of North Carolina and, it is said, they will have no assets after the homestead is set apart.

— Winston *Journal*: A telephone message to the *Journal* from Rural Hall Saturday states that during the storm a few nights since, lightning struck a Mrs. Hutchins, near King, Stokes county, since when she has been in a serious condition, being considerably worse to day (Saturday) The lightning entered the room through a stove pipe, and, after striking Mrs. Hutchins, tore a hole in a pepper box and then splintered the door sill.

— Greensboro *Telegram*: Thirty-seven of the silver maple shade trees that were planted on Summit avenue were broken some time last night. The destructive work was on the left side of the avenue, beginning near the rail road and extending to the house of M L Shields. This sort of a thing has occurred more than once. The police think they have a good clue to work on. Summit avenue would be an ideal boulevard if these were allowed to grow.

— Charlotte *Observer*: The Hargrave & Leak Manufacturing Company, of Wadesboro, is the only concern of the kind in the State. It makes drill and Canton flannel drawers. From a small beginning two years ago, the factory will soon turn out 1.500 garments a day. The goods are sold all over the eastern part of the United States. The concern uses about 3,000 yards of cloth per day, which is the equivalent of three bales of cotton. When in full operation the factory will employ about 75 girls and women and a dozen or more boys.

— Littleton *Reporter*: The business men of Littleton are receiving offers from outside capital to take large blocks of stock in the cotton mill here upon certain conditions These offers are being refused upon the ground that this mill is to be built by our people and for our people, and the promoters are determined that it shall not be handicapped in any way, nor controlled by capital that will not give the small share holder just as much advantage as the larger ones. The desire is that everyone in this section shall take interest in this mill, even if for no more than one $50 share.—— Deputy Collector R. J. Lewis, assisted by Messrs Will Thornton, Jim and Johnston, made a raid upon an illict distillery near Draper's Cross Roads last Friday the 16th. They captured 14 fermenters 260 gallons of beer, 10 bushels of mash, 150 gallons of slops, 30 gallons of low wines, still tub, sixty gallon copper still, cap and worm.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: D. J. Cashwell, J. P, ex-mayor of Hope Mills, was Friday afternoon bound over to the Criminal Court on a charge of false pretence. This case has been in progress for the past three days in the Superior Court room before Justices Overby, McLean and McKay, and has attracted much attention from the fact that both sides have been hotly contesting every issue, and that nearly all the members of the Fayetteville bar were engaged, six appearing for the prosecution and a like number for the defence. —— The need of a State reformatory is again illustrated. This morning a white boy named Willie Jones, about 12 years old, was committed to jail on a warrant issued by a Hope Mills magistrate, charging him with larceny. It is said that he is one of the band of youthful robbers who have been committing the numerous store robberies in Hope Mills lately.

CURRENT COMMENT.

Secretary Gage declares that ex-Consul Macrum is an ass, and says that the Administration will pay no attention to him until he proves his charges. By the way, if Macrum should prove them, who would then be the ass?—*Norfolk Landmark, Dem.*

—— "If President McKinley," says the Nashville American, "has yielded to the protected interests in the matter of the Porto Rician tariff, he deserves to be beaten next November." How can this be? He was elected President four years ago because he had yielded to the protected interest all his life and ran as their candidate. Why should they go back on him now?—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

The movement in the interest of new manufacturing enterprises should have the heartiest co-operation of all classes. It is in the interest of the whole community. Every dollar put into it will bring its return, either directly or indirectly, or in both ways. Whatever will tend to the upbuilding of the city must inevitably benefit every person who makes a living or has interest here.—*Savannah News Dem,*

—— Owing, it seems, to the fondness of the peace treaty makers for exact geographical statement two little islands near Borneo, at the entrance to the Sulu Sea, have not been included in the Spanish cession of the Philipine archipelago to the United States. They are still Spanish territory, and of course, are for sale to the highest bidder. It may be necessary yet to add the cost of these two islets to the original $20,000,000 disbursement, lest some hostile Power play us a trick by acquiring them for naval purposes.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

A Quaint English Ceremony.

On the last day of each October the city solicitor of London, with an assistant, attends upon the royal rembrancer, when, by proclamation, "the tenants and occupiers of a piece of waste ground called the moors, in the county of Salop," are commanded to "come forth and do your service upon pain and peril that shall fall thereon." The solicitor chops in halves two faggots, one with a hatchet and the other with a billhook. Afterward comes the summons to the tenants, etc., of "a certain tenement with a forge" in the Strand and the payment of six horseshoes, with 61 shoe nails, by the solicitor. This forge has long ceased to be, and the same shoes and nails are used year after year, the shoes being at least two centuries old.

TWINKLINGS.

—"Money is the root of all evil." "Yes and it would be well for some people who root for it to realize that 'work' is the square root for money.

— "Your husband seems cross," began the visitor. "Yes, he's out of humor," said the funny editor's wife "What about?" "He's out of humor."

— "Whiskey," said the Temperance Lecturer, "will destroy everything there is in a man." "Yes," replied the unregenerate, "except his thirst."

— "No news yet from the Pardon Board," said the condemned man's attorney. "Well," replied the murderer who took life easily, "no noose is good news."

— Henpeck—"Why did you tell my wife I have a telephone in my office?" Friend—"What's the odds?" "She'll be calling me up all the time." "Calling you up! Well, won't that be a pleasant change?"

— "Wait!" cried the hopeful Briton; "with the help of Heaven we will at length defeat the treacherous Boers." "Do you really believe, then," asked the pro Boer, "that the present alliance will be broken?"

—"Funny things," remarked the humorous Seal. "What's that?" asked the polar Bear. "Why the bathing around here," said the Seal, is supposed to be free, and yet every time I want to take a swim I have to put my sealskin coat in soak."

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted

☞ The following quotations represent Wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

BAGGING—		
2 lb Jute	6½@	7
Standard	7 @	7½
Burlaps	6@	6½
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ lb	19½ @	15
Sides ℔ lb	@	8
Shoulders ℔ lb	@	8
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ lb	6½@	6¾
Shoulders ℔ lb	@	6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	@	1 40
New New York, each	1 40@	1 50
New City, each	1 40@	1 50
BEESWAX ℔ lb	@	24
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75 @	7 00
Northern	9 00 @	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ lb	18 @	20
Northern	28 @	30½
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	49 @	50
Virginia Meal	49 @	50
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25 @	1 35
CANDLES—℔ lb—		
Sperm	18 @	20
Adamantine	8 @	11
CHEESE—℔ lb—		
Northern Factory	12 @	13
Dairy Cream	13½@	14
State	11½@	12
COFFEE—℔ lb—		
Laguyra	13 @	16
Rio	9½@	11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard	@	3½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 lbs	@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	10 @	11
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00 @	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl.	11 00 @	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00 @	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl.	8 00 @	10 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00 @	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75 @	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00 @	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ lb	5 @	10
" Extra	4 25 @	4 50
FLOUR—℔ bbl—		
Low grade	@	3 00
Choice	@	3 50
Straight	3 85 @	4 00
First Patent	4 25 @	4 50
GLUE—℔ lb	10½@	11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	@	53½
Car-load, in bgs—White	51½@	52
Oats, from store	38 @	40
Oats, Rust Proof	@	45
Cow Peas	80 @	90
HIDES—℔ lb—		
Green salted	@	6½
Dry flint	10 @	12½
Dry salt	@	10
HAY ℔ 100 lbs		
Clover Hay	75 @	80
Rice Straw	40 @	50
Eastern	90 @	1 00
Western	90 @	1 00
North River	80 @	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ lb	3½@	3¼
LARD, ℔ lb—		
Northern	7 @	8¼
North Carolina	8 @	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15 @	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00 @	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00 @	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00 @	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00 @	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00 @	15 00
Common mill	5 00 @	6 50
Fair mill	6 50 @	8 00
Prime mill	8 50 @	10 00
Extra mill	10 00 @	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogsheads	@	25
Barbadoes, in barrels	@	28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28 @	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28 @	30½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	13 @	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14 @	15
Syrup, in barrels	15 @	25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 95 @	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	11 75 @	12 00
Rump	11 50 @	12 00
Prime	11,00 @	11 50
ROPE, ℔ lb	10 @	22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum	@	1 25
Liverpool	90 @	95
American	85 @	90
On 120 ℔ Sacks	@	80
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00 @	6 50
Common	1 60 @	2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50 @	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ lb—Standard Gran'd	@	5½
Standard A	@	5½
White Extra C	@	4¾
Extra C, Golden	@	4¼
C, Yellow	@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ lb—Northern	3½@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00 @	14 00
R. O. Hogshead	@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00 @	10 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed ℔ M 6?24 heart	7 50 @	8 50
" Sap	5 00 @	6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00 @	3 50
" Sap	2 00 @	2 50
6?24 Heart	6 00 @	6 50
" Sap	5 00 @	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ lb	@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00 @	2 00
North Carolina	1 00 @	90
WOOL, per lb—Unwashed	14 @	18
Mill, Prime	7 50 @	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50 @	7 00
Common Mill	5 00 @	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50 @	5 00

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—13 bales cotton, 24 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—339 bales cotton, 3 casks spirits turpentine, 116 barrels tar, 8 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—3 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 51 barrels rosin, 36 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—23 bales cotton, 8 casks spirits turpentine.

C. C. Railroad—13 bales cotton, 7 barrels tar

Steamer Driver—101 barrels rosin, 266 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

Schooner Ruth J.—8 casks spirits turpentine, 35 barrels rosin, 23 barrels tar.

Underwood's raft—235 barrels rosin.

Royal's raft—245 barrels rosin.

Total—Cotton, 391 bales; spirit turpentine, 20 casks; rosin, 1,067 barrels; tar, 471 barrels. crude turpentine, 10 barrels.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 26.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.40 per bbl bid for strained and $1.45 bid for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.30 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE—Market firm at $2.00 per barrel for hard, $3.35 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine steady at 44@43½c; rosin firm at 90@95c; tar firm at $1.00; crude turpentine firm at $1.35@2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	20
Rosin	1,067
Tar	471
Crude turpentine	10

Receipts same day last year—25 casks spirits turpentine, 264 bbls rosin, 342 bbls tar, 12 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market quiet and steady on a basis of 8¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	6 5-16 cts	℔ lb
Good ordinary	7 11-16	" "
Low middling	8 5-16	" "
Middling	8¼	" "
Good middling	9½	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 6c.

Receipts—391 bales; same day last year, 183.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime 70c. Extra prime, 75c per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50@53½c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm: 53 to 53½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tide-water) 85c; upland, 50@60c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—Steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five-inch hearts and saps, $2.25 to 3.25; six-inch. $4.00 to 5.00; seven-inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to 9.00 per M

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 26.—Money on call was steady; actual transactions ranging from 2@2½ per cent., last loan at 2 per cent., and closed offered at 2 per cent. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5¼ per cent. Sterling exchange weak; actual business in bankers' bills 486½@486¾ for demand and at 485¼@485½ for sixty days. Posted rates 484@484½ and 487½@488. Commercial bills 488@483½. Silver certificates 59¾@70¾. Bar silver 59¾@60¼. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds touyant. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds irregular. U.S. 2's, reg'd, 103; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 110¾; do. coupon, 110¾; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 136½; do. coupon, 136½; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 117; do. coupon, 117½; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 115; do. coupon, 115; N. C. 6's 127 b; do. 4's, 105 b; Southern R'y 5's 107¾. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 62½; Chesapeake & Ohio 28½; Manhattan L 94½; New York Central 132; Reading 18½; do. 1st prefer'd 59; St. Paul 122½; do. preferred 171; Southern Railway 12½; do. preferred 57½; American Tobacco, 105; do. preferred 135; People's Gas 98¼; Sugar 103½; do. preferred 110; T. C. & Iron 91½; U. S. Leather 13¼; do. preferred 73½; Western Union 83¾.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 26.—Rosin quiet and steady; strained common to good $1 75. Spirits turpentine quiet at 55½@56c.

CHARLESTON, February 25.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels. Prices unchanged.

SAVANNAH, February 26—Spirits turpentine firm at 53½c; sales — casks; receipts 178 casks; exports 237 casks. Rosin firm; sales 1,492 barrels; receipts 1,296 barrels; exports 2,609 barrels; G $1 70.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 26.—The cotton market to-day reflected an unusual confusion of ideas and but little new business was attempted. A feeling of caution led to a mutual desire to liquidate and in this way quite a business was transacted without changing prices very much. The Liverpool cables were disappointing and the early outlook was for liberal port receipts. Prices gave way five to ten points on the opening call, which finished the weakest period of the market. The subsequent course of prices was irregular, but in the main upward. Before noon the opening loss had been recovered and still later business increased the advance to a net gain of one to four points. The reaction originated in covering started by later cables, although the English news as a whole was not considered satisfactory. Private advices stated that the failure on the part of Liverpool to respond to our advance of Saturday was due to relief in the way of arrivals of cotton which met the immediate wants of spinners. In the early afternoon, it was apparent that the morning official estimates for the ports was not justified by the actual movement. The local contingent throughout the session was anything but confident and the fact that Houston and New Orleans estimates for to morrow's receipts were higher than last year's figures, led to some selling for short account, notwithstanding the public orders were for buying cotton. Just before the close an effort was made to sustain the market, which closed steady at a net decline of three points to a net advance of three points.

NEW YORK, February 26.—Cotton dull; middling uplands 9 3 16c.

Cotton futures closed steady at prices: February 8.84, March 8 84, April 8.87, May 8.86, June 8.86, July 8.87, August 8.70, September 8.17, October 7.80, November 7.68, December 7.68, January 7.70.

Spot cotton closed dull; middling uplands 9 3 16c; middling gulf 9 7-16c; sales 1,920 bales.

Net receipts 793 bales; gross receipts 5,348 bales; exports to the Continent 6,130 bales; exports to France 218 bales; stock 128,374 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 36,392 bales; exports to Great Britain 20,182 bales; exports to France 11,092 bales; exports to the Continent 15,040 bales; stock 950,570 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 55,338 bales; exports to Great Britain 74,801 bales; exports to France 11,092 bales; exports to the Continent 23,356 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,382.960 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,556,300 bales; exports to France 581,619 bales; exports to the Continent 1,767,613 bales.

Feb. 26.—Galveston, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 5,147 bales; Norfolk, firm at 9, net receipts 4,618 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9¼c, net receipts — bales; Boston, quiet at 9 3 16c, net receipts 764 bales; Wilmington, quiet at 8¾c, net receipts 391 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 9 7-16, net receipts 250 bales; Savannah, steady at 8 13 16c, net receipts 4,968 bales; New Orleans, firm and quiet at 8¾c, net receipts 15,075 bales; Mobile, nominal at 8¼c, net receipts 634 bales; Memphis, firm at 8¾c, net receipts 1,348 bales; Augusta, steady at 9c, net receipts 707 bales; Charleston, firm at 8¼c, net receipts 3,657 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

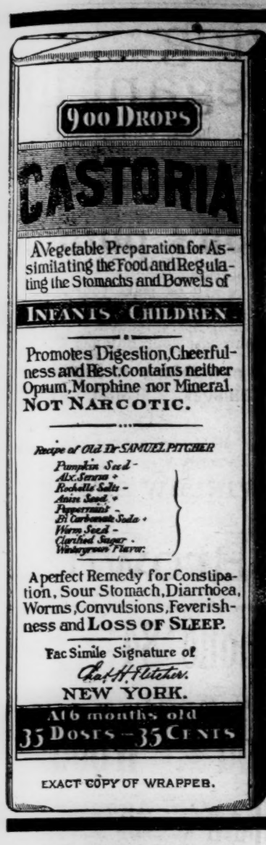
By Telegraph to the Morning Star

NEW YORK, February 26.—Flour was easy in the absence of buyers who were discouraged over the firmness of mills in the face of the break in wheat. Wheat—Spot easy; No. 2 red 74c; options opened steady on better cables than expected, but immediately weakened under heavy Northwest receipts, bearish weekly statistics and free short selling. Heaviness continued pretty much all day, attended by a very light local trade and disappointing demand. Closed weak at ½@½c net loss. Quote: March closed 73¾c; May closed 72c; July closed 72c. Corn—Spot steady; No. 2 42c; options opened steady on light country acceptances, subsequently advancing a little on a demand from shorts. Later prices eased off from top with wheat, closing steady and unchanged; May closed 40¾c; July 40¾. Oats—Spot quiet; No. 2, 29c. Lard easy; Western steam $6 10; refined easy; Continent $6 30; South American $6 60; compound 6@6½c. Butter steady; Western creamery 20@24c; State dairy 18@23c. Eggs steady; State and Pennsylvania 14¼@15½c at mark; Southern 14½@14½c at mark; Western fresh 14¾c at mark. Cheese quoted firm; fall made fancy small 13c; fall made fancy large 13c. Potatoes quiet; New Jersey $1 25@1 62½; New York $1 50@1 87½; Long Island $2 50@3 00; Jersey sweets $2 25@2 75. Freights to Liverpool quiet. Tallow firm. Rice firm. Petroleum steady. Cabbage steady; Long Island $4 00@6 00 per 100. Cotton seed oil was unfavorably affected by the local selling pressure and manipulation in face of firmness South, closing easy. Prime crude, in barrels, 33½@34; prime summer yellow 37@37½c; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 38@39c, nominal; prime winter yellow 39@40c; prime white 39@40c; prime meal $24 00@25 00. Coffee—Spot Rio nominal; No 7 invoice 8 11 16c; No. 7 jobbing 9 3 16c; mild steady; Cordova 9¾@14. Sugar—Raw quiet and steady; refined quiet.

CHICAGO, February 26.—Statistical information was bearish to day and wheat yielded, closed steady, May 1@1c under Saturday. May corn closed a shade down and May oats a shade improved. Provisions at the close were a shade to 5 cents lower.

CHICAGO, Feb. 26.—Cash quotations: Flour quiet. Wheat—No. 2 spring —; No. 3 spring 61@65c; No. 2 red 67½@68¾c. Corn—No. 2, 34c. Oats—No. 2 22½@23; No. 2 white 26@26½; No. 3 white 25@25½c. Pork, per barrel, $9 65@10 65. Lard, per 100 lbs, $5 67½@5 70. Short rib sides, loose, $5 90@6 00 Dry salted shoulders, $6 25@6 50. Short clear sides boxed, $5 90@6 00. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 23½.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 February 64¾, 64¾, 64⅝, 64¾c; May 66½, 66½, 65½, 65⅝@65¾; July 65⅝@65¾, 66¾, 67¼@66⅝, 66½@66¾c. Corn—No. 2 February 33¾, 33¾, 33¼,



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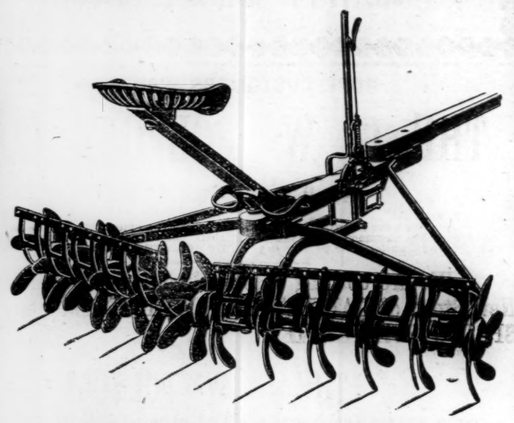

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STATEMENT OF

Atlantic National Bank,

WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the Close of Business Feb. 13th, 1900, Condensed from Report to Comptroller.

RESOURCES.

Loans		$ 912,381.20
Overdrafts		16 99
U. S. Bonds (at par 5's & 4's)		125,100.00
Banking House and Fixtures		10,000.00
Due from app'd res've ag'ts	$ 86,498 66	
Due from other banks	187,338.71	
Cash on hand	109,541.92	383,374.29
Total		$1,504,822.48

LIABILITIES.

Capital		$ 125,000.00
Surplus and undivided profits		100,583.81
Circulation		41,040.00
Deposits U. S Treas	$150,375.00	
Deposits from Banks	280,167 95	
Deposits from individuals	786,656.72	
Certificates of Deposit	35,000.00	1,228,198 67
Total		$1,504,822 48

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT.

	Feb. 18 '98.	Feb. 13, '99.	Feb. 13, 1900
Total deposits	$654,000	$1,141,000	$1,228,000
Surplus and net profit	75,400	89,000	100,500
U. S. bonds at par	55,000	95,500	196,100

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"WHITE IN A SINGLE NIGHT."

It was in the ladies' room at the depot that I saw her. She was a charming creature and but for that coronet of snowy hair would have been remarkably beautiful. As it was she had a strange, unearthly look in spite of her piquant face and splendid eyes. I made her acquaintance and got her story. It was this:

"It happened two years ago. I was 19 then. My brother had gone over to one of the neighbors, and the servants were away at some grand merrymaking, so I was alone. As the place was retired and the evening cool for the season I closed the house at an early hour, excepting the sitting room door, which opened on a large piazza.

"I was seated in this room, occupied with some light knitting, when a shuffling step in the doorway caused me to look up. Involuntarily I screamed. A large, gaunt man stood there, glaring at me with the ferocity of a tiger. A strange, mirthless laugh parted his lips as I screamed, and he strode across the room and seated himself in front of me, his knees touching mine.

"'Afraid, are you? Afraid, hey?' he cried, with another loud, mirthless laugh, fixing a pair of eyes wild with insanity upon my face. 'Good! I like that—I like to see people afraid. They pale, they shiver, they scream, they run, they fight! And, oh, don't I like it! I play with 'em as pussy does with her mouse, and then—ha, ha!—then I'—

"He stopped and, turning his head, leered wickedly at me as he slipped his hand into his pocket and drew out an immense jackknife.

"Still leering at me, he opened the blade. Then with a lightningline movement he faced me, and before I could utter the cajoling words I was meditating he had seized me by the arm. Flashing the blade rapidly under my eyes, he shouted in ferocious tones:

"'And then—and then I give 'em a taste of this! And how they squirm! Ha, ha! They don't like it, but I do, and—ha, ha, ha!—the more they don't like it the more I do. Taste it—taste, my pretty maid! You won't like it, but I shall.'

"And he tore away my sleeve, and, with successive shouts of wild laughter, he thrust the keen blade into the quivering flesh again and again.

"From the first moment I had realized that escape was hopeless and that my only chance for life lay in perfect self possession and simulated fearlessness. I therefore restrained by an almost superhuman effort the slightest expression of terror or pain.

"At last he stopped.

"'Why don't you scream?' he cried, angrily shaking me. 'Why don't you squirm? Why don't you try to get away? Say?'

"I answered smilingly and very calmly:

"'Don't you know that I am a spirit? Your knife could not hurt a spirit, could it?'

"'A spirit!' he echoed in low, startled tones, though still keeping a viselike grasp upon my arm. 'A spirit! No, it could not hurt a spirit. And can't I hurt you at all?'

"'See what you have done,' I smilingly answered, pointing to my bleeding arm. 'Did I cry? Did I squirm? Would I not have done both if you had hurt me?'

"My rapid questions made no impression upon him.

"'Flesh and blood!' he muttered confusedly as he eyed the red stream dripping upon my dress. 'Flesh and blood and—and spirit!'

"He stopped as if solving some difficult problem and then burst into deafening peals of laughter.

"'Spirits don't bleed!' he shouted in mad merriment. 'It's all a dodge!'

"He gave me no time to argue the point. In an instant he was flourishing his knife with redoubled fury and wildness.

"That was frightful enough, but suddenly he leaned over the table beside me and blew out the light. As he did so I started up and wrenched myself from his grasp, intending to flee through the open doorway.

"But, as if instinctively penetrating my design, he rushed to the door, and in a second it was closed, locked and the key was withdrawn.

"But now commenced a horrible pursuit—a horrible contest for life—and, high above the din of falling, whirling furniture rose his mad laughter and wild screams of delight or angry disappointment.

"Round and round he chased me, his clammy hands now touching my arm, now sweeping my face, now clutching my dress, as in the awful confusion, whirl and darkness he sometimes came upon me.

"I might have escaped through the door leading into the hall, but from the instant he extinguished the light my self possession deserted me. Every thought was absorbed in the mighty effort to elude the outstretched hand, with its deadly weapon, and I darted round and round, hither and thither, impelled more by animal instinct than divine reason.

"I was in the dark; I was murderously pursued by an insane fiend; I must run; I must walk; I must creep; I must stand still. From those horrible facts and necessities my thoughts never swerved a hair's breadth.

"I went on, I know not how long—it seemed an age to me—when suddenly the door was violently shaken, and loud voices were heard without.

"It roused the maniac to a perfect frenzy. He raged like a wild beast and pursued me with the ferocious instinct of one. My peril was immensely greater than it had been. But heaven saved me.

"Presently the door gave way, and my brother, with two or three men, rushed into the room. Lighted by the torch in my brother's hand the men speedily secured the madman, though not without a desperate struggle.

"By an act of unprecedented cunning the poor creature had managed to elude the vigilance of his keepers at the asylum, and, by the same cunning, to baffle for many days their hot pursuit.

"But they got upon his track at last, and arrived, thanks to an overruling Providence, in time to rescue me from a death too frightful to contemplate.

"Is it astonishing that my hair is white?"—New York News.

Hung Up.

"How far back on the family tree did he trace his lineage?"

"To the third limb."

"Why did he stop there?"

"His great-great-grandfather was dangling on it."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Explained.

"Could you tell me," inquired the passenger who was waiting for them to change horses, "why every thoroughfare in this town bears the name of some war hero and the smallest, dusty street should be called Dewey?"

"Yes," responded Amber Pete, "we called that thar little street Dewey because it's modest, it's away off from the others, got more grit than all the others put together."—Chicago News.

Too High by Half.

At a recent party in Shepherd's Bush a young lady began a song, "The autumn days have come, ten thousand leaves are falling."

She began too high.

"Ten thou-ousand"—she screamed, and then stopped.

"Start her at five thousand!" cried an auctioneer who was present.—Tit-Bits.

A Windy City. Swell.

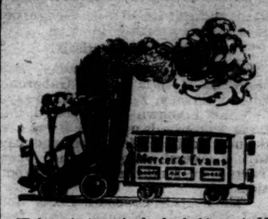
Ethel—He told me he made his money in wheat.

Edith (triumphantly)—I felt sure I had seen his face before. That's the fellow that leaves us our bread mornings in the city.—Leslie's Weekly.

A Paradox.

"I notice those women of the international congress spent most of their time running down the men."

"Yes; the trouble with them is that they can't catch any."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.



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Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52.	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 05 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 25 p m
2 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 13 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 18 p m
9 30 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	6 00 p m
10 30 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m

South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday. No. 46.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday. No. 47.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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OF WILMINGTON, N. C.

At the close of business February 13th, 1900. (Began business March 1st, 1899.)

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts	$287,544.26
Stocks and bonds	5,125.00
U. S. bonds	113,000 00
Premium on U. S. bonds	9,600.00
Five per cent. redmption fund	2,700.00
Revenue stamps	366.00
Office furniture	750.00
Cash on hand and in banks	211,706 53
Total	$630,821.80

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock	$200,000.00
Profits less expenses	18,611.38
Circulation	54,800.00
Deposits	357,410.51
Total	$630,821.89

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE.

Schedule In Effect Jan. 14, 1900.

DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND.

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11.30 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.21 P. M. Weldon 4.30 P. M., Petersburg 6.18 P. M., Richmond 7.35 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.08 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 8.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.20 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.08 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M

DAILY except Sunday 3.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.15 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P.M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6.00 P M — No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11.33 A. M., Baltimore 1.45 P. M., Washington 3.07 P M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 8.18 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.30 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.55 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.35 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.15 P. M — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.25 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.03 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9.53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.52 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M. Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 9.05 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.05 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.25 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M., and 5.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.20 A.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10 00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.08 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.30 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.35 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.50 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M. Chadbourn 11.00 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 3.15 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.00 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.35 A. M.; 5.05 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P.M.; arrive Darlington 8.30 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.30 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 P. M., Darlington 8.30 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.35 P. M., 10.35 P. M. arrive Selma 2.45 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.09 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.35 P. M., 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.55 A. M. Fayetteville 12.30 P. M. 9.55 A. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 3.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter, 4.35 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.19 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leave Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

†Daily except Sunday. *Sunday only.

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Gen'l Passenger Agent.
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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 32	Kinston.....	10 13	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	9 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 33	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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TUESDAY MORNING, FEBRUARY 27.

PENDER COUNTY DEMOCRATS.

In County Convention at Burgaw--Resolutions Endorsing Hons Jno. D Bellamy, C. B. Aycock and Dr. Porter.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

BURGAW, N. C., Feb. 24.—The Pender County Democratic Convention was called to order here to-day by Dr. E. Porter, chairman of the County Executive Committee. A committee was appointed on permanent organization, which reported in favor of Bruce Williams, Esq., as permanent chairman and G. E. Shepard as permanent secretary, which report was unanimously adopted.

The convention then endorsed W. J. Bryan for Presidential nominee and reaffirmed the Chicago platform.

Dr. E. Porter then introduced the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, it is proper that the people in convention assembled should express their appreciation of their public servants; therefore,

Resolved, That we endorse the manly and patriotic course of Hon. John D. Bellamy, our representative in Congress, and heartily approve his efforts to restrain unnecessary expenditures of public money; to keep in the hands of the common people cheap literature by relieving the country of the paper trust; his philanthropic effort for the education of the long neglected Croatan Indians, and his broad minded patriotism expressed in the bill introduced by him asking for an appropriation of ten thousand dollars to beautify the Moore's Creek battle ground and thereby keep ever fresh that State and national patriotism which inspired our ancestors to risk their lives and fortunes upon these historic grounds in defence of their sacred rights. And we hereby instruct our delegates to the approaching congressional convention to cast the vote of Pender county solidly for him.

Resolved, That in view of the eminent services rendered the Democratic party by Hon. C. B. Aycock and recognizing his capabilities and fitness for the office, we cordially commend him to the people of North Carolina as their Governor, and instruct our delegates to the State convention to cast the vote of Pender for him.

Delegates were then chosen to the State Senatorial and Congressional Conventions

Bruce Williams, Esq., then introduced a resolution recommending Dr. E. Porter as Pender's candidate for State Senator from the Ninth Senatorial district and instructing delegates to vote for him at said convention.

AMERICAN PLATE GLASS.

Application Made for Appointment of a Receiver for the Company.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., February 26—Suit was filed in the Federal Court to-day asking for a receiver for the American Plate Glass Company. This suit is on behalf of the Depauw heirs, who own $20 000 worth of stock in the glass trust. The complainants aver that the company while making large dividends has failed to pay the earnings of the money which the Depauw estate has invested in stock. The claim has been made by the trust that it could not, based on its earnings, pay dividends.

SCHOONER WRECKED.

The Jane C. Harris, from Washington, N. C.—Crew Saved.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, VA., February 25.—During a severe gale this afternoon the two masted schooner Jane C. Harris, from Washington, N. C., to Philadelphia with lumber, went ashore off Oregon Inlet, N. C., 33 miles north of Hatteras. After great difficulty the life savers, under Captain Etheridge, succeeded in getting a line to the stranded schooner and safely landed her crew of three men. The vessel and cargo will probably prove a total loss, as a heavy sea is running and the wind is of hurricane velocity, 62 miles being recorded at Norfolk.

KENTUCKY CONTEST.

Certificates of Election Awarded All the Democratic Contestants.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., February 26.—The State contest board to day awarded certificates of election to all of the Democratic contestants for minor State offices. Immediately after, the contestants were sworn in and repaired to the State House in a body, where they made a formal demand on the Republican incumbents for possession of the offices but the demands were not acceded to.

AT SING SING PRISON.

Antonio Ferraro Electrocuted for the Murder of Luciane Muchio.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 26.—Antonio Ferrare was electrocuted at Sing Sing prison to-day for the murder of Luciane Muchio, in Brooklyn on April 4th, 1898. The electric current was turned on at 8:20 A. M., and five shocks were administered before the attending physicians were satisfied that he was dead. He was pronounced dead at 8:28 A. M.

Editor's Awful Plight.

F. M. Higgins, Editor Senea, (Ills.,) News, was afflicted for years with Piles that no doctor or remedy helped until he tried Bucklen's Arnica Salve. He writes two boxes wholly cured him. It's the surest pile cure on earth and the best salve in the world. Cure guaranteed. Only 25 cents. Sold by R. R. BELLAMY Druggist. †

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HAWAIIAN BILL IN THE SENATE.

Lively Discussion Between Tillman of South Carolina and Spooner of Wisconsin.

THE QUAY CASE DEBATED.

The Ship Subsidy Bill Reported from the Committee—House Proceedings—Debate on the Porto Rican Tariff Bill Continued.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Formal discussion of the right of former Senator Quay to a seat in the Senate as a member from Pennsylvania was begun today by Senator Turley, Tennessee, in a constitutional argument against the seating of Mr. Quay. Consideration of the Hawaiian government bill brought out a lively discussion between Senator Tillman, South Carolina, and Senator Spooner, Wisconsin, in which the former admitted that ballot boxes had been stuffed and negroes had been shot in the South to maintain white domination. An amendment was made to the bill, striking out the property qualification for voters for members of the Legislature, but little other progress was made.

Senator Frye, Maine, reported the shipping subsidy bill.

Senator Turley, who prepared the majority report of the committee on the Quay resolution, then spoke. He said the governor under the constitution was powerless to fill the vacancy and his action was "in the teeth of every provision of the constitution bearing on the subject."

Senator Turley agreed that the representation in the Senate from each State ought at all times be kept full, but he did not believe the framers of the constitution had intended deliberately to confer upon somebody else the duty to fill the vacancy in case the legislature failed to perform its duty.

"It is not possible," he said "to coerce the legislature or to coerce the people, and when they fail of their duty its a place where our system breaks down.

Senator Thurley then entered upon a detailed discussion of the constitutional and technical points involved in the case, his desire being, he said, to present every legal phase of the question. "Every State," he said, "should be notified, in language that cannot be mistaken, that its permanent representation in this body shall depend upon it selecting a Legislature that will do its duty."

"Let it be understood," continued Senator Thurley, "that these contests are not personal questions, and will be decided on legal and constitutional grounds, and the bringing of contests here will soon cease. In my experience I cannot now recall an honest division of a Legislature on party lines. There are nearly always three or more ambitious candidates of the same party who create all the trouble. In not one single instance in seventy-five years has a Senator been admitted here who was appointed by the State Executive after the Legislature had had an opportunity to elect; and never in the history of the government has a candidate been seated when the vacancy occurred during the session of the Legislature."

On unanimous consent, the case was then postponed.

Hawaiian Bill Taken Up.

When the Hawaiian bill was taken up Senator Collum offered several minor amendments, one striking out the property qualifications of those who desired to vote for Representatives and Senators in the Hawaiian Legislature.

Senator Tillman argued that his amendment substituting the suffrage provisions of the constitution of South Carolina was in all senses a better provision than that offered by the committee reporting the bill.

Senator Tillman said: "The people of South Carolina, in their constitution, have done their level best to prevent the 'niggers' from voting. What I now ask you to do is to give the Kanakas and Portuguese of the Hawaiian islands the same power of suffrage as we in South Carolina have given the 'niggers.'

In reply to a question of Senator Spooner, Senator Tillman said that the $300 property qualification had been put into the South Carolina constitution for the benefit of the negro.

"No provision was needed for the whites," said Senator Tillman, "because the whites would get through anyhow. We have some conscience in the South as to treatment of the 'nigger.' You have been sneering at us a long time and I don't like it."

Senator Spooner deprecated a discussion of the racial question and added: "The Senator has said that the people of South Carolina have sedulously excluded the negro vote. They are now accomplishing their purpose through the State constitution, but they did not always do it by constitutional amendment."

Adverting to the pending amendment of Senator Cullom, Senator Spooner said: "I don't like a property qualification for voters. There is something of reason in an educational qualification, but manhood suffrage is one thing and dollar suffrage is quite another." He then appealed to Senator Tillman to lay aside his bloody shirt.

Senator Tillman replied that the only reason for rehabilitating the bloody shirt before it was finally and irrevocably laid at rest was that he wanted the position of the Southern people understood. "I'm getting tired of these taunts and sneers," said he. You won't let us alone."

"The Senator won't let us let him alone," suggested Senator Spooner amid laughter.

In every State where the whites have divided politics between the Democrats and the Populists—and it is so in every Southern State except South Carolina, said Tillman, 'niggers' hold the balance of power. As such they stand there as a menace to a pure suffrage and to good government, because they are a purchassable quality, educated or uneducated.

"We are charged with fraud and corruption and ballot box stuffing. Finally, after the bayonets had come to us again in 1876, we rose in righteousness and might. We took the government. We stuffed ballot boxes, we bulldozed the 'niggers' and we shot 'em. And we are not ashamed of it."

Leaning over toward Senator Spooner and shaking his finger at the Wisconsin Senator, Senator Tillman said: "What would you have done? You would have done the same thing. I see it in your eye." [Laughter.]

The amendment offered by Senator Cullom was finally adopted. So, too, was the amendment of Senator Platt, Connecticut, which has been pending for several days, relating to the appointment and tenure of office of the judges of the Hawaiian courts.

Senator Butler, North Carolina, offered an amendment restoring to Hawaii the postal savings bank system. Without concluding the discussion of the amendment the Senate, at 5.15 P. M., adjourned.

House of Representatives.

The general debate on the Porto Rican tariff bill in the House to day will be extended until to-morrow night, on announcement of Mr. Payne, New York, the floor leader, that no compromise had been made with the dissatisfied Republicans.

When Mr. Payne preferred the request for the extension of time, Mr. Richardson, the Democratic leader, said:

"This is a remarkable request to come from the majority. We construe it to be a frank and candid confession that they have brought here a bad bill and an admission in open house to the country that they have not votes enough to pass it."

The Democrats, he continued, were always magnanimous. They would not strike their foes when they were down. He demanded, however, as conditions to an extension a night session to morrow night and permission to offer a substitute in the House on Wednesday when the final vote was to be taken. With these "conditions" he remarked flunthy the majority would grant the "entreaty," of the majority.

Mr. Bartett, Georgia, then took the floor with a half hour's speech against the bill. He laid down as an elementary principle of international law that whenever a country, whether empire, monarchy or republic, acquired territory by conquest, purchase or treaty, that territory became a part of such country and subject to her laws. He pointed to the supreme court for consolation on the constitution question in case the bill passed.

Mr. Latham, Texas, declared that the Porto Ricans were either Americans or aliens. There could be no such things as separating and dividing the immunities and privileges of American citizenship.

Mr. Moon, Tennessee, was opposed to the bill.

Mr. Boutell, Illinois, followed in advocacy of the bill. The people of Porto Rico, he said, had certain fundamental rights but not the rights of American citizenship. The fundamental rights of American citizens, he argued, would be endangered if the inhabitants of territory acquired by conquest or perhaps involuntary as a result of war, came into full fellowship with our people without the consent of the latter. He was opposed, he spad, to admitting the Porto Ricans and Filippinos to free competition with American labor.

It ill became the other side, Mr. Boutell said, to taunt the Republicans with imperialism. The Democratic party was the only party that had sold American territory to a foreign monarch. In 1899 the Democratic administration, against the protest of the people of Texas, sold 380,000 square miles of territory with the people on it to the King of Spain. "Great God," said Mr. Boutell, "if we exercised the prerogatives of an earthly empire the Democratic party exercised the prerogatives of the Almighty."

After other speeches the House at 1.05 adjourned.

RAIDED BY BURGLARS.

Savings Bank at Perry, Ga., Robbed of $3,500—Safe Blown Open.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

ATLANTA, GA., Feb. 26.—A special from Perry, Ga., says: The Perry Loan and Savings Bank was entered last night and robbed of $3,500. The vault door was blown open as also was the inner money vault, by dynamite. The loss is covered by burglar insurance.

SHARKEY-FITZSIMMONS.

Arrangements for a Contest That May Be Decided at Coney Island.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, February 26.—Tom Sharkey announced to day that he would cover Robert Fitzsimmons' forfeit of $5,000 on Monday. Sharkey's manager would like to have the contest decided at Coney Island, but if any other club offers more money for the battle than the Seaside organization, he will gladly accept the bid.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Senate has confirmed Brgadier General H. G. Otis to be major general by brevet.

The Wilmot mills, of Honea Path, Anderson county, S. C., was chartered yesterday. Capital stock $200,000.

The Ashworth Electrical Company, of Cheraw, S. C., capital $100,000, is chartered. Rhode Island capitalists are back of it.

A Scranton dispatch says: Four men were killed yesterday in the Mount Pleasant mine by the breaking of a mine carriage.

The Canadian transport Pomeranian from Halifax, January 27th, with another contingent of Canadian troops on board has arrived at Cape Town, Africa.

The United States Supreme Court denied the application of Capt. Oberlin M. Carter to bring his case into that court. There was no written opinion.

The Lewes, Del., life saving station attes that the Wachropragues life savers report that the schooner J. T. Ford, from Cape Charles for Chincoteague, with household goods, filled and sank. The crew was saved.

Hugh M. Comer, president of the Central R. R., died in Savannah, Ga., yesterday. At the time of his death he was senior partner in the cotton firm bearing his name. Mr. Comer was 58 years old.

No information has been received as to who will be named by the Pope as Bishop of the See of Savannah, Ga. It is generally believed in Catholic circles that Vicar General Kelly will be honored.

Hon. W. J. Bryan arrived at Memphis yesterday morning and was given an enthusiastic reception by thousands. The early morning trains brought great crowds to hear Mr. Bryan and to join in the celebration of Mardi Gras.

Sec. Root Thursday sent to the Senate a letter from General Davis with a petition from Porto Ricans asking for free trade with the United States. General Davis strongly depicts the urgency and gravity of the industrial paralysis.

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BOERS GATHERING TO MEET ROBERTS

Assembling from All Quarters at Bloemfontein to Check Invasion of the Free State.

CRONJE'S BRAVE DEFENCE.

The Resisting Force May Reach 30,000 Men—Gen. Buller's Advance for Relief of Ladysmith--Severe Fighting--Situation at Mafeking.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, February 27, 4.20 A. M.—The Boers are assembling a force near Bloemfontein with which to dispute the invasion of Lord Roberts. This intelligence come from Pretoria by way of Lorenzo Marques. The commandoes are described as hastening from all quarters of the republics.

No estimate is made of their numbers, but the withdrawal of the Boers from most of the places where they have been in contact with the British, except the district near Ladysmith, may raise the resisting force to thirty thousand men. This figure assumes that the Boers have between sixty thousand and seventy thousand men in the field.

The gathering of this army across the path of Lord Roberts gives significance to Gen. Cronje's steadfast defence. He has engaged the corps of Lord Roberts for ten days now, and whether he is relieved or not he has given time for the dispersed Boer factions to get together and to prepare positions to receive the British advance when Cronje is overcome and Lord Roberts moves forward.

It is difficult to conceive that the Boers are strong enough to take the offensive and rescue General Cronje from his precarious situation.

The War Office has nothing after midnight to indicate his collapse, and he may hold out for a few days. The correspondent seems to have no exact information respecting his resources. Some say he has plenty of food, but is short of ammunition. Others assert that he lacks food supplies, but has abundant supplies of cartridges.

General Buller on Saturday faced the last and strongest position of the Boers who bar his way to Ladysmith. The strenuous fighting indicates a battle between armies rather than rear actions, protecting a retreat. On Thursday and Friday he lost 43 officers killed and wounded, representing probably a total loss of from 400 to 500.

General White's guns worked on Saturday upon the Boer positions, and a heliogram from Ladysmith reported that the Boers were retreating and that larger rations were being issued in view of the fact that relief seemed at hand.

Nothing has been heard from Makeking since February 13th. The movement on the veldt away from the railway is becoming increasingly difficult for large bodies of troops, as the grass is burned up. General French has to wagon forage for his horses, and even the infantry finds long marches harder than before, as forage for the transport animals must be carried. This requires the formation of garrisoned depots.

The ordinary campaigning season is over, and the sickly season for both men and animals has set in

Technical military writers take these things into consideration in forecasting events. The *Daily Chronicle* says it learns from private letters that British rifles and ammunition have been landed on the southern coast of Cape Colony, presumably for the Dutch colonists. Lord Roberts has recently received seventy-two additional pieces of artillery. Whether all have been sent to Paardeberg is not known.

Probably the Eighth division will leave England next Monday.

The Dublin Fusiliers.

LONDON, February 27.—The *Times* has the following from Pietermaritzburg, dated Friday, February 23rd: "The Dublin Fusiliers have again distinguished themselves by volunteering to take Grobler's kloof, which they did. This gallant battalion, which began the campaign 850 strong, can to day be said to muster on parade only between one hundred and two hundred of its original members."

LONDON, February 27.—A dispatch from Paardeberg, dated Friday, to the *Times*, says that several thousand Boers are now hovering in that neighborhood.

Boers Well Protected.

LONDON, February 26.—Dispatches from Paardeberg show that General Cronje's forces have far more protection from Field Marshal Lord Roberts' heavy fire than at first indicated. A special dispatch from Paardeberg, published in the second edition of the *Daily Chronicle* and dated Saturday, February 24th, says:

"A balloon has discovered the enemy well covered by a system of burrowing in the river bank, which resembles a rabbit warren and affords shell proof positions."

It will not be much of a surprise if to day and to morrow, which is the anniversary of the battle of Majuba Hill, pass without being marked by the surrender or annihilation of the gallant band so overwhelmingly hemmed in, though the closeness of the investment appears open to criticism. Small bodies of Boers apparently are able to make their escape, causing comparison here between the Boer methods of investment, with their quickly dug surrounding trenches, impassable barbed wire, etc., and those of the British.

Lord Roberts holds a position almost analagous with that held so long by the Boers at Ladysmith. As General Cronje is reported to have plenty of food, the plan of starving him out can scarcely avail, as Lord Roberts must either wait until his ammunition, which is said to be short, runs out, or those of General Cronje's force who are counselling surrender prevail. So indefinite is the information that either of these alternatives may occur at any moment.

Meanwhile, Lord Roberts' engineers are sapping steadily towards the Boer lager and according to a special from Paardeberg, dated Sunday, February 25th, the cordon is gradually drawing closer.

Gen. Buller Fighting.

Gen. Buller's march on Ladysmith is being marked by hard fighting. A Pietermaritzburg dispatch of to day's date says he is still heavily engaged in fighting. In Grobler's kloof General Buller seems to have discovered a hornet's nest.

In Cape Colony, the British arms are steadily advancing. Barkley East is now in their possession, according to a dispatch from that district, the Boers evacuating the place, retreating on Lady Grey and wiring President Stein for reinforcements to prevent their surrender.

The Pretoria government proclaimed Frebruary 25th and 27th, days of thanksgiving and prayer, presumably in memory of the battle of Majuba Hill.

A dispatch from Kimberley says its inhabitants have planned to erect a statue to Cecil Rhodes, in recognition of his service during the siege.

Natives Make Reprisals.

LORENZO MARQUES, Monday, February 26.—A dispatch from Gaberones dated Thursday, February 22nd says: "Chief Linchwo has reported that he made reprisals upon the Boers near Sequani, killing a few men and capturing several wagons and oxen. There were some casualties on both sides.

"The Boers at Crocodile Pools notified Colonel Plumer that fearing the natives would attack the wounded they had placed their hospital within the laager. Colonel Plumer replied that the ambulance would of course, be respected; but the Boers, he said, could not expect good behavior from the natives while they were invading the territory of the natives."

Boers Concentrating at Bloemfontein.

CAPE TOWN, February 25.—The Boers are concentrating to defend Bloemfontein.

Lord Roslyn, who has obtained a commission in Thorneycroft's Horse, has gone to join Sir Redvers Buller.

LONDON, February 27.—A dispatch from Lorenzo Marques, dated Friday, February 23rd, says:

"It is reported here that 5,000 burghers have left Ladysmith for the Free State. The Boers are concentrating their forces thirty miles outside of Bloemfontein and the Free State government is moving to Wimburg."

Reinforcements from all parts are passing through Bloemfontein hourly. President Steyn has telegraphed President Kruger that Lord Roberts is within a few hours of Bloemfontein and he urges that every male, irrespective of nationality, should be commandered.

President Steyn is said to favor peace. The Boer general who was in command at Colenso sent a message to President Kruger, saying that he had been smashed up there and recommending overtures for peace. The burghers at Mafeking are also reported to have sent word to Kruger that they would rather defend their own farms than fight elsewhere.

Winston Churchill, in a dispatch to the *Morning Post* from Frere Camp, dated Sunday says:

"The idea that the Boers are raising the siege of Ladysmith is premature. The advance is being pursued in the face of the most stubborn opposition and of heavy loss. President Kruger's grandson is among the Boers killed."

Gen. Cronje's Camp.

LONDON, February 27.—The *Daily Mail* has the following dispatch from Paardeberg, dated Sunday:

"There are about six thousand men beleaguered in General Cronje's camp, exclusive of the losses he has hitherto sustained. His family is not with him, although there are women and children in the camp. The Boer position now is almost exclusively confined to the river bed. The enemy are entirely at our mercy, but Lord Roberts is treating them with great consideration from motives of humanity."

A dispatch to the *Daily Chronicle* from Paardeberg, dated Friday, Feb. 23d, says: "General Cronje's attempt to mount guns was frustrated by our artillery."

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